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1. I CONCUR IN PROPOSED VISIT OF USDA/ARS TEAM PROPOSED REFTEL. WHILE I HAVE NOT CONTACTED FOREIGN MINISTRY ON THE SUBJECT, I CONSIDER LETTER DATED JANUARY 30, 1974 FROM THE DIRECTOR OF THE FOREIGN RELATIONS DEPT OF THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE TO GORDON IN ROME AS ADEQUATE GOE CONCURRENCE. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THAT LETTER, USINT IS INFORMING MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, THROUGH FOREIGN MINISTRY, OF THE NAMES OF THE TEAM MEMBERS.

2. IN PRINCIPLE, I ENDORSE RESEARCH PROJECTS IN THE AGRICULTURAL SECTOR. IN THE DISCHARGE OF MY RESPONSIBILITIES, HOWEVER, I WOULD WISH PENDING RESEARCH PROPOSALS AND THOSE FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION TO BE DISCUSSED WITH USINT BEFORE THEY ARE PRESENTED TO THE GOE. AS A MATTER OF POLICY, WE WANT TO MAINTAIN A LOW PROFILE IN EGYPT FOR THE TIME BEING AND AGRICULTURAL AS WELL AS OTHER RESEARCH PROJECTS SHOULD FIT INTO THIS CONFIGURATION.

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3. I LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING USDA TEAM AND WILL BE

HAPPY TO DISCUSS WITH ITS MEMBERS HOW USINT SEES OUR
RELATIONSHIPS AS EVOLVING.
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